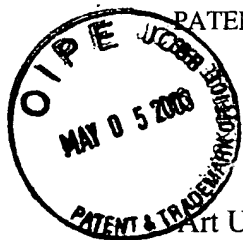


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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF DECEMBER 30, 2002

REMARKS

This paper responds to the Office Action of December 30, 2002. A Petition for Extension of Time extends the period for response to April 30, 2003. Accordingly, this response is timely.

Claims 1-45 are now pending, a total of 45 claims. Claims 1 and 24 are independent. Claims 38-40 are indicated as reciting allowable subject matter.

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the application.

I. Preliminary Amendment of October 2000

A Preliminary Amendment and Formal Drawings were filed on October 31, 2000. They are not mentioned in the Office Action. Applicant requests acknowledgement of receipt and entry of same.

II. Claims 1 and 24

The Office Action discusses claims 1-9, 13-37 and 41-43 in the context of O'Donnell's U.S. Patent No. 6,374,369, and claims 10-12 in the context of O'Donnell '369 and Ju's U.S.